

Lowell Canal System, PAWTUCKET DAM
Lowell, Massachusetts
Middlesex County

HAER No. MA-1A

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LOWELL CANAL SYSTEM:
PAWTUCKET DAM

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DATE: 1875

LOCATION: Across Merrimack River above Pawtucket Falls,
Lowell, Massachusetts

DESIGNED BY: Unknown

OWNER: Proprietors of Locks and Canals,
Lowell, Massachusetts

SIGNIFICANCE: The existing dam is the fifth constructed on the site,
the first being built about 1821. The purpose of the
Dam is to divert water from the Merrimack River into
the canal system in order to power the mills. More
extensive data is to be found in HAER No. MA-1, Lowell
Canal System.

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